

# COMMUNITY-BASED RECOVERY SUPPORTS

Recovery Month Edition!

BI-MONTHLY TELECONFERENCE

September 24, 2020 from 1:00-3:00pm



**Facilitators:** Angelia Smith- Wilson and Allison Weingarten

**Welcome:** Angelia Smith-Wilson, Executive Director – FOR-NY

**1:00 pm**

- Happy Recovery Month!
- Please continue to attend and encourage others to attend the monthly CBRS meetings

**Introductions:** *(name, recovery role, affiliation, updates)*

**1:05 pm**

Use your organization's logo as your profile picture on zoom and introduce yourself in the zoom instant messaging feature!

**OASAS Updates:**

**1:15 pm**

- Carmelita Cruz – Senior Attorney
  - Updates on regulations that are pending
    - Outpatient changing how treatment planning will be conducted (keep an eye out for the next couple of months for updates)
    - Part 815: patient rights
      - Updating some of the requirements for programs regarding LGBT affirming services
    - Part 830: adding a program endorsement for LGBT affirming care
      - Highlight programs that are going above and beyond the minimum requirements for those that are providing services to the LGBT community
      - Working on a provider checklist for programs to see how they can improve programs and for the public
      - Telepractice changes to reduce administration burden and updating standard document to provide guidance on recovery programs
    - Working on guidance on if peers can work within telehealth
- Susan Brandau - Peer Integration Team
  - Telepractice survey coming out soon for Peers and treatment providers
    - Surveys will be coming from FOR-NY and the NYCB
    - Try to identify the best practices and the barriers
  - Just finished prep course for CRPA and CRPA-P for those working within hospitals
    - There was a TOT held and 19 trainers succeeded (unfortunately there will be no further TOT for peers in hospitals)
      - A list will be released soon of the tainers
    - Applied to the NYCB for approval
- Lureen McNeil - Bureau of Recovery Services
  - There was a sustainability program at the recovery summit. It focused on groups in NYS and outside of NYS to look at what was important to people. Most people engaged in health and vocational training/education

- Monday from 1pm-3pm, experts will discussed the valued questions and results from the data
- Epics group: policy group on Tuesday going to have a town hall “We’re in this together: peer services through a trauma informed lens” to discuss:
  - Sustainability for recovery centers
  - Evidence based programs for family issues

### Updates:

#### Willie towns

- Alumni meetings are going strong
- Tonight is a meeting where there will be updates on how they will celebrate recovery month; a night to celebrate peers

#### Theresa Knorr

- The conference is happening
  - Recovery Resilience - October 18-20, 2020 Virtual Event (<https://for-ny.vcnf.org/>)
  - To Register: <https://app.donorview.com/MDDyo>
  - \$525 group rate – unlimited attendance, 7 certificates.
  - At the conference, will be launching a “point in time” survey for gathering information for the policy statement

#### Ruth Riddick

- This afternoon launching e-newsletter to share news for peer recovery professionals and other certification news!
- The meeting sent a heartfelt thanks to Patricia Wooldridge on the occasion of her retirement from Brooklyn Community Recovery Center at Phoenix House (she remains on the ASAP-NYCB Board).
- The meeting was also delighted to hear that Elisabeth Kranson is newly-appointed full-time Director of Certification at ASAP-NYCB, effective September 1!

### FOR-NY Social Justice Recovery Policy

1:45 pm

*Dr. Angelia Smith- Wilson will lead a moment of silence and reflection around the death of Daniel Prude, a death which was preventable and combined injustices of stigma due to mental illness as well as racism. We will discuss how the recovery community can show solidarity in supporting statewide and national efforts to fight injustice.*

- Allyship; how we within our community can connect on a variety of points
- We need to unify under human dignity
- FOR-NY wrote a conjoined letter in support of the Daniel Prude’s family to integrate peers/mental health professions into crisis response and the EMTs to respond to addiction and mental health crises. There is a peer/EMT model that will be integrated in Rochester.
- [Social justice recovery IS recovery](#)

### Voter Registration Train the Trainer

2:00 pm

*Noah Schuettge, Organizer, Voter Engagement + Voting Rights at New York Civil Liberties Union will lead a train the trainer on how to help others register to vote and will be able to answer your questions! We are in recovery and we vote!*

Video of Noah’s presentation can be found [here](#). Resources from Noah’s presentation can be found below:

- a. [Volunteer-made voter tool slides](#)
- b. [nyclu.org/vote](https://nyclu.org/vote)
- c. [ACLU.org/voter](https://aclu.org/voter)
- d. How to have conversations with people about voting. using these [slides](#)

Noah can be emailed here: [nschuettge@nyclu.org](mailto:nschuettge@nyclu.org)

### Recovery Advocacy Project:

- First statewide town hall- October 7
  - Part 1: incorporate NY and NJ to discuss single voter issues
  - Part 2: Introducing voter platform, identifying with community members the tools to engage with the recovery voter process (from registering to vote to contacting legislators)
- Find tools at the link below to coordinate and organize recovery voter registration, and get folks tied into our Action Network. These tools help us to mobilize voters for actions and connect them directly with their local leadership. (<https://www.recoveryvoices.com/vote/>). Below is the registration link for the upcoming town hall. Speakers to be announced soon! <https://actionnetwork.org/events/rap-vote-recovery-town-hall-new-york-new-jersey-2>

### Legislative Updates /Advocacy Needs Discussion

2:30 pm

- Joelle Foskett, Legislative Director, Senator Pete Harckham, Chair of Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse
  - [jfoskett@nysenate.gov](mailto:jfoskett@nysenate.gov)
- Nick Guile, Legislative Aide, Assembly Member Linda Rosenthal, Chair of Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse
  - Make sure you know your polling place and check your registration!
  - [guilen@nyassembly.gov](mailto:guilen@nyassembly.gov)
- Therese Daly, Director of Correspondence, Office of Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins
  - [Theresedaly23@gmail.com](mailto:Theresedaly23@gmail.com) or senate related [tdaly@nysenate.gov](mailto:tdaly@nysenate.gov)
- Gil Ruiz, Legislative Assistant, Office of United States Senator Kirsten Gillibrand
  - Close out on the continuing resolution should happen by Wednesday
  - Good news - Family Addiction services bill passed out of the energy and commerce committee and will come up for a house floor vote by next week hopefully

**(NO MEETING IN OCTOBER- AS WE WILL HAVE JUST WRAPPED UP THE CONFERENCE). PLEASE TAKE THIS TIME TO REACH OUT TO FRIENDS AND FAMILY AND LOVINGLY ENCOURAGE THEM TO VOTE!**

**NEXT MEETING: Thursday November 19, 2020 1pm to 3pm**